



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Richard A. ESSER

Application No.: 09/689,615

Filed: October 13, 2000

For: RAPID DEPLOY HAZMAT  
CONTAINMENT DEVICE

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) Group Art Unit: 3727  
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) Examiner: Castellano, S.  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of April 11, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$460.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	25	-	20	5	x \$ 18	\$ 90
Indep.	4	-	3	1	x \$ 84	84
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Subtotal						\$ 174
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- 87
TOTAL						\$ 87

- ☒ A fee of \$87.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$547.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: October 10, 2002

By: Christopher H. Kirkman  
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